

Speaking as a retired military electronics technician, licensed MARS operator, as well as a licensed Amateur Radio Extra Class operator, I can not believe that the FCC is going to allow this to happen! Broadband over power lines (BPL) using the frequencies planned is going to create such broadband interference it will severely disable the entire HF spectrum, which will affect communications for all branches of the military, SHARES, FEMA and the majority of our nation's Amateur Radio operators such as myself, who provide emergency communications for FEMA, Red Cross and local government during earthquakes, flooding and other natural disasters. The power companies as a majority have a poor record with correcting radio frequency interference problems, and the FCC has had to intervene too many times to get these corrected. Plus, when the recent blackout in the Eastern U.S. happened, it brought to light not only how antiquated our power grids are, but also how poorly maintained they are. And this in the most heavily populated region of the U.S.! How properly maintained is the power grid going to be in the rural parts of the country, where these "roads" have not been traveled since the wires were strung; Where BPL is planned to be used? BPL is just a bad idea - The power companies know this; The FCC should know this. I just hope the American public doesn't have to suffer - To learn this the hard way.

Thanks for reading, es 73,

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